

**SMOKY MOUNTAIN SHAGGERS**  
**Minutes of Called Open Board Meeting**  
**December 4, 2011**

**Location:** Holiday Inn Cedar Bluff

**Attendance:**

- President Gerry Anders, Vice-President Jim Corbitt, Treasurer Lou Robertson, Secretary Dianne Linam, Member-At-Large Tom Marsh
- 13 additional Club Members

**Opening:**

- The meeting was called to order at 5:30 P.M. by Gerry.

**Purpose:**

- The purpose of the meeting was for Club Members to vote on making a \$500 donation for Christmas baskets for battered women & children.
- Sherry Hodge reported that the Shelter is the East Tennessee Family Services Battered Women & Children's Shelter in Oak Ridge. The women & children arrive at the Shelter with little or nothing & need even the most basic necessities. Often battered women take their children & flee without being able to take any of their belongings. The children are not on any Angel Tree to receive Christmas gifts for fear that the batterer might find them. The Shelter provides shelter & food but no toys for children. The families stay at the Shelter only for a limited time. When they leave, they need all of the basic necessities to set up a household.
- A motion was made for the Club to donate \$500 from Club funds to provide Christmas baskets for Shelter residents. The motion was amended to say that the Club would also collect items (even slightly used household goods) for the families. The motion was seconded, voted on & passed.
- Sherry Hodge & Lou Robertson will use the Club money to buy items (particularly basic clothing items & perhaps small toys for the children) for the Christmas baskets. Club Members can also make personal donations for the baskets & funnel their funds through the Club bank account. The deadline for donated money & items is December 19.

**Adjournment:**

- The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Dianne Linam, Secretary

Approved *Dianne Linam*

Date 12-11-11